Please replace the Abstract with the following amended Abstract:

To provide a hydrogen absorbing alloy having a BCC (body-centered cubic structure) as a crystal structure, and particularly a hydrogen-absorbing alloy for a nickel-hydride cell having excellent discharge capacity and durability (cycle characteristics), said hydrogen-absorbing alloy having a composition expressed by the general formula Ti (100-a-b-c-d) CraVbNicXd, where X is at least one member selected from the group consisting of Y (yttrium), lanthanoids, Pd and Pt, and each of a, b, c and d is represented, in terms of ~~at %~~ atomic %, by the relations $8 \leq a \leq 50$, 0 ~~30~~ $< b \leq 30$ ~~60~~, $5 \leq c \leq 15$, $2 \leq d \leq 10$ and $40 \leq a + b + c + d \leq 90$, wherein the crystal structure of a principal phase is a body-centered cubic structure~~, and further, the alloy contains at least one of Mo and W in place of V and at least one member selected from the group consisting of Y (yttrium), lanthanoids, Pd and Pt, and its crystal structure is converted to the body-centered cubic structure by heat-treatment~~.